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SUBJECT: UPDATED MISSION CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR U.S.
DELEGATION TO CONTACT GROUP ON PIRACY OFF THE COAST OF
SOMALIA PLENARY

REF: STATE 004459

¶1. Mission clearance is requested for the U.S. delegation to the Countact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia Plenary. This meeting will take place on January 28th in NY at the United Nations. No USUN assistance, other than that noted in reftel, is required. Unless otherwise noted, all delegation members hold an TS/SCI clearance.

¶2. The delegations travel plans are as follows:

Arrival on January 26 and departing on January 29: CDR Susan Polizzotto, U.S. Coast Guard Senior Liaison.

Arrival on January 27 and departing on January 28:
David Foran, Deputy Coordinator for Counter-Piracy, DoS
Carrie Shirtz, Political Military Officer, DoS
James Gerlach, Joint Staff Counter Piracy Policy, DoD
Brian Penn, Functional Director, Office of the Secretary of Defense for African Affairs, DoD
Viki Jean Huddleston, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for African Affairs, DoD
Giles Noakes, Chief Maritime Security Officer, no security clearance, Baltic and International Maritime Council
Peter Hinchliffel, Marine Director, no security clearance, International Chamber of Shipping
David Heindel, Secretary-Treasurer, no security clearance, Federation/Seafarers International Union
Deborah Blanchard, Assistant Council, no security clearance, Seamens Church Institute
Dana Goward, Director for Assessment, Integration & Risk Management, USCG
CDR George (Lee) Boone, Chief, US Vessel Compliance, USCG
ADM Kevin Cook, Combined Maritime Forces Liasion Office to EU and NATO, USCG
CDR William Ziegler, Senior Coast Guard Liaison, NAVECENT

Arrival on January 27 and departing on January 29:
Jay Jallorina, Foreign Affairs Officer EEB, DoS
Thomas Countryman, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, DoS
Valerie Silensky, Acting Unit Chief, Money Laundering/Threat Finance Unit, DoS

Arrival on January 28 and departing the same day:
Denise Krepp, Maritime Administration Chief Counsel,
Orlando Gotay, Maritime Administration Senior Advisor for Maritime Policy, Secret clearance
James Caponiti, Maritime Administration Assistant Administrator,
Owen Doherty, Maritime Administration Director Office of Security,

¶3. USUN Point of contact is Erin Kotheimer Tel: 212-415-4360. The group does not require assistance in obtaining UN badges. No mission assistance, other than that requested in reftel, is required at this time. POC for this information is Trina Saha (202-647-2641).

¶4. Mission clearance is requested for North American Maritime Ministries Association Vice President Rev. James Von Dreele and Public Affairs Officer for Somalia Jon Tollefson. Rev. Dreele and Tollefson plan to attend the fifth plenary meeting of the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia on January 28. Rev. Dreele does not hold a clearance. Tollefson holds a TS clearance.

¶5. Rev. Dreele plans to arrive in New York on January 27 and depart on January 28th. Tollefson plans to arrive in New York on January 26 and depart on January 29.

¶6. USUN Point of contact is Erin Kotheimer Tel: 212-415-4360. The group does not require assistance in obtaining UN badges. No other mission assistance is required at this time. POC for this information is Trina Saha (202-647-2641).
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